

MICHIGAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Minutes of the House Standing Committee on Natural Resources

Tuesday, February 23, 2016

9:00 a.m.

Room 326, House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Natural Resources was called to order by Representative Andrea L. LaFontaine, Chair.

The Clerk called the roll; members present were **Representatives LaFontaine**, **Rendon**, **Forlini**, **Goike**, **Lyons**, **McBroom**, **Kivela**, **Smiley**, and **Plawecki**. (9/9) The Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

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The Chair laid before the committee the minutes of February 9, 2016 as printed.

Representative Rendon moved to adopt the minutes of February 9, 2016 as printed. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent of the members present; the minutes were adopted as printed.

The Chair laid before the committee House Bill 4540 (H-8)*.

HB 4540 (Heise)

Civil rights; public records; public body records, documents, or information disclosable under freedom of information act; exempt critical energy infrastructure and cybersecurity-related information

* Previously, House Bill 4540 was reported with the recommendation that the substitute (H-6) as amended, as substitute (H-8), be adopted and that the bill then pass, and that the bill and substitute be referred to the Committee on Natural Resources on Thursday, December 10, 2015.

Representative Heise, the bill sponsor, explained the substitute (H-9) for House Bill 4540 (H-8).

Mariah Urueta, Michigan Organizer for Food and Water Watch, testified stating her position is neutral on the bill.

Ron Kardos, from the Crossroads Group Sierra Club, submitted a testimony card stating the group is neutral on the bill, and did not wish to testify.

Sean Hammond, Deputy Policy Director for the Michigan Environmental Council, submitted a testimony card in support of 4540 (H-9), but did not wish to speak.

The Chair offered the substitute (H-9) for House Bill 4540.

Representative Lyons moved to adopt the substitute (H-9) for House Bill 4540.

The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Representatives LaFontaine, Rendon, Forlini, Goike, Lyons, Kivela, Smiley, and Plawecki, (8/9)

Nays: Representative McBroom. (1/9)

The substitute was adopted.

Representative Lyons moved to report House Bill 4540 with the recommendation that the substitute (H-9) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Representatives LaFontaine, Rendon, Forlini, Goike, Lyons, McBroom, Kivela, Smiley, and Plawecki, (9/9)

Nays: None. (0)

The bill and the substitute were referred to the full House.

The Chair laid before the committee Senate Bill 507.

SB 507 (**Green**)

Environmental protection; recycling; registration and reporting requirements; establish for recyclers of material from residential and commercial waste.

The following individuals submitted testimony cards in support of the bill, but did not wish to testify:

Justin Dunaskiss, representing the Responsible Recyclers Association;

Derek Bajema, President and Chief Executive Officer for the Michigan Soft Drink Association;

Kerrin O'Brien, Executive Director for the Michigan Recycling Coalition;

Tonia Olson, Director of Governmental and Community Relations for Granger, representing the Michigan Waste and Recycling Association;

Chris Phillips, Public Relations Representative for Landfill Management Company;

Linda Gobler, President and Chief Executive Officer of Michigan Grocers Association;

Kara Cook, Policy Assistant, for the Michigan League of Conservation Voters; and

Nicholas Occhipinti, Director of Policy and Community Activism for West Michigan Environmental Action Council (WMEAC).

Representative Rendon moved to report Senate Bill 507 without amendment and with recommendation that the bill pass.

The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Representatives LaFontaine, Rendon, Forlini, Goike, Lyons, McBroom, Kivela, Smiley, and Plawecki, (9/9)

Nays: None. (0)

The bill was referred to the full House.

The Chair laid before the committee House Bill 5146.

HB 5146 (Kivela)

Natural resources; hunting; penalties for possessing the carcass of a deer or elk killed in a state listed as a state containing chronic wasting disease; increase.

Representative Kivela, the bill sponsor, explained the bill, and introduced his constituent, George Lindquist, a member of the U.P. Whitetails of Marquette County to the committee, who testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed. Copies of Mr. Lindquist's handouts are attached.

The Chair offered the conflict substitute (H-1) for House Bill 5146.

Representative Rendon moved to adopt the conflict substitute (H-1) for House Bill 5146.

The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Representatives LaFontaine, Rendon, Forlini, Goike, Lyons, McBroom, Kivela, Smiley, and Plawecki, (9/9)

Nays: None. (0)

The substitute was adopted.

Trevor VanDyke, Legislative Liaison and Policy Advisor for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Amy Trotter, Deputy Director for Michigan United Conservation Clubs, testified in support of the bill. Questions followed.

The following individuals submitted testimony cards in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Sean Hammond, Deputy Policy Director for the Michigan Environmental Council, and Michael Goyne, State Advisory Council President for Quality Deer Management Association *.

^{*}Submitted written testimony, which is attached.

There being no other business before the committee; Representative Forlini moved to adjourn the meeting.

The motion prevailed, the time being 9:58 a.m.

The Chair declared the Committee adjourned.

Andrea M. LaFontaine, Chair
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Date approved by the committee